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1. WOULD HELP HERE IF I COULD HAVE ANYTHING TANGIBLE WHICH COULD ILLUSTRATE DEFENSIVE NATURE OF ETHIOPIAN MILITARY BUILD-UP IN OGADEN. (E. G. WE UNDERSTAND THAT POLICE RATHER THAN IEG MILITARY UNITS WILL CONTINUE BE STATIONED AT BORDER POSTS.)

WM WHILE IT MAY SEEM OUT OF CHARACTER WITH ETHIOPIAN ATTITUDE, WHICH HAS BEEN CONSISTENTLY DEFENSIVE, SUSPICION THAT ETHIOPIA MAY PROVOKE BORDER INCIDENT IS PROBABLY BUGGING SOMALIS AND IN TURN MAY WELL LEAD TO SOMALIS REINFORCING THEIR OWN UNITS NEAR BORDER THUS INCREASING LIKELIHOOD POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS CONFRONTATION.

3. ACCORDINGLY BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF IN MY TALKS WITH SOMALIS (I HAVE TENTATIVE APPOINTMENT WITH FONSEC OMAR ARTEH TUESDAY, MARCH 20) I COULD HAVE SOME AMMUNITION TO REASSURE HIM ON THIS SCORE.

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